



Louisiana Readers' Choice (LYRC/LTRC) Awards Program 2022-2023 Nominated Titles

Grades 3-5:

- *All the Way to the Top: How One Girl's Fight for Americans with Disabilities Changed Everything* written by Annette Bay Pimentel, illustrated by Nabi H. Ali (Sourcebooks Explore, Sourcebooks)
- *The Arabic Quilt: An Immigrant Story* written by Aya Khalil, illustrated by Anait Semirdzhyan (Tilbury House Publishers, W.W. Norton)
- *The Best of Iggy* written by Annie Barrows, illustrated by Sam Ricks (G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers, Penguin Random House)
- *The Boy Who Grew Dragons* written by Andy Shepherd (little bee books, Simon & Schuster)
- *Claude: The True Story of a White Alligator* written by Emma Bland Smith, illustrated by Jennifer M. Potter (Little Bigfoot, Penguin Random House)
- *Dinosaur Lady: The Daring Discoveries of Mary Anning, the First Paleontologist* written by Linda Skeers, illustrated by Marta Álvarez Miguéns (Sourcebooks Explore, Sourcebooks)
- *The Great Pet Heist* by Emily Ecton, illustrated by David Mottram (Atheneum Books for Young Readers, Simon & Schuster)
- *Hello Neighbor!: The Kind and Caring World of Mister Rogers* written and illustrated by Matthew Cordell (Neal Porter Books, Penguin Random House)
- *The Messy Life of Blue* written by Shawna Railey (little bee books, Simon & Schuster)
- *Midnight at the Barclay Hotel* written by Fleur Bradley, illustrated by Xavier Bonet (Viking Books for Young Readers, Penguin Random House)
- *The Polio Pioneer: Dr. Jonas Salk and the Polio Vaccine* written by Linda Elovitz Marshall, illustrated by Lisa Anchin (Knopf Books for Young Readers, Penguin Random House)
- *Shirley Chisholm Is a Verb* written by Veronica Chambers, illustrated by Rachele Baker (Dial Books, Penguin Random House)
- *The Silver Arrow* written by Lev Grossman (Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, Hachette)
- *Swish!: The Slam-Dunking, Alley-Ooping, High-Flying Harlem Globetrotters* written by Suzanne Slade, illustrated by Don Tate (Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, Hachette)
- *This Way, Charlie* written by Caron Lewis, illustrated by Charles Santoso (Abrams Books for Young Readers, Abrams)

Grades 6-8:

- *96 Miles* written by J.L. Esplin (Starscape, Macmillan)
- *Bloom* written by Kenneth Oppel (Knopf Books for Young Readers, Penguin Random House)

- *City Spies* written by James Ponti (Aladdin, Simon & Schuster)
- *Clean Getaway* written by Nic Stone, illustrated by Dawud Anyabwile (Crown Books for Young Readers, Penguin Random House)
- *Danny Constantino's First (and Maybe Last?) Date* written by Paul Acampora (HarperCollins)
- *Dress Coded* written by Carrie Firestone (G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers, Penguin Random House)
- *From the Desk of Zoe Washington* written by Janae Marks (Katherine Tegen Books, HarperCollins)
- *Twins* written by Varian Johnson, illustrated by Shannon Wright (Graphix, Scholastic)
- *When Life Gives You Mangos* written by Kereen Getten (Delacorte Press, Penguin Random House)
- *When Stars Are Scattered* written by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed, illustrated by Victoria Jamieson and Iman Geddy (Dial Books, Penguin Random House)
- *Wink* written and illustrated by Rob Harrell (Dial Books, Penguin Random House)
- *A Wish in the Dark* written by Christina Soontornvat (Candlewick, Candlewick Press)

Grades 9-12 (Teen):

- *Almost American Girl* written and illustrated by Robin Ha (Balzer + Bray, HarperCollins)
- *Deeplight* written by Frances Hardinge (Harry N. Abrams, Abrams)
- *Felix Ever After* written by Kacen Callender (Balzer + Bray, HarperCollins)
- *Here the Whole Time* written by Vitor Martins (Scholastic Press, Scholastic)
- *I'll Be the One* written by Lyla Lee (Katherine Tegen Books, HarperCollins)
- *The Light in Hidden Places* written by Sharon Cameron (Scholastic Press, Scholastic)
- *Not So Pure and Simple* written by Lamar Giles (Quill Tree Books, HarperCollins)
- *Punching the Air* written by Ibi Zoboi and Yusef Salaam (Balzer + Bray, HarperCollins)
- *This Is My America* written by Kim Johnson (Random House Books for Young Readers, Penguin Random House)
- *This Train Is Being Held* written by Ismée Williams (Harry N. Abrams, Abrams)

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